

REMARKS

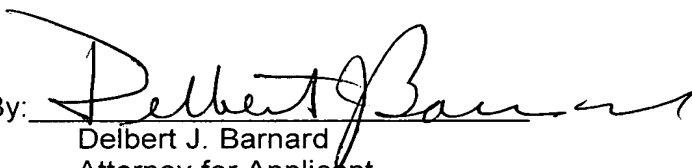
Applicant has rewritten claims 5, 9 and 11 in independent form. Dependent claims 6 and 13, both dependent from claim 5, remain in the application. The rejected claims 1 – 4, 7, 8, 10, 12, 14 and 15 have been canceled.

It is submitted that this application is now in condition for allowance. Accordingly, early reconsideration and allowance of the application are requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-0915.

Respectively submitted,

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